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REPORT TO:	COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM: <b>15</b>
DATE OF MEETING:	13 <sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2008	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	MONITORING OFFICER	OPEN PARAGRAPH NO: N/A
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SUBJECT:	MONITORING OFFICER PROTOCOL	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	

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## **1.0 Reason for Exempt**

1.1 Not applicable.

## **2.0 Recommendation**

2.1 That the Monitoring Officer Protocol be approved and adopted for incorporation in the Council's Constitution.

## **3.0 Purpose of Report**

3.1 To consider the adoption of a Monitoring Officer Protocol.

## **4.0 Detail**

4.1 See Protocol attached at Annexe 'A'. This Protocol was considered at the Meeting of the Standards Committee on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2008 which made the recommendation at 2.1 above.

## **5.0 Corporate Implications**

5.1 The Monitoring Officer is a statutory appointment pursuant to Section 5 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. The Monitoring Officer provides advice to Members and Officers to protect and safeguard from legal difficulties and/or criminal sanctions.

## **6.0 Community Implications**

6.1 The Monitoring Officer advises the Standards Committee in its vital role in promoting and maintaining the highest standards of conduct by Councillors of South Derbyshire District Council and all the Parishes in its area.

## **7.0 Background Papers**

7.1 Monitoring Officer Protocol